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The search for the truth in the assassination of President Kennedy moves inexorably forward, the cause aided provocatively by this document. Groden was a photographic consultant to the House Assassinations Committee (which reviewed the findings of the original Warren Commission), and Livingstone is a novelist and poet who has been researching the Kennedy slaying for many years. Together, the authors replay the many suppositions and possible motivations of previous assassination inquiries. Their account is legitimized by Groden's official role with HAC, in particular his photographic enhancements of frames of the infamous Zapruder film. Through this analysis—which HAC chose to heed with only its own limited purposes in mind—the authors amplify on a vital message: the body should have never been moved (illegally) from Dallas, the autopsy at Bethesda Naval Hospital was botched beyond belief by inexperienced medical personnel, and the proof of discrepancies between fact and the "official" records and photos is borne out by Zapruder footage, which clearly shows Kennedy being hit in the neck and head multiple times from various directions (and thus at least partially affirms the "Oswald-as-dupe" theory). The documentation is copious, the many photos (including some grisly autopsy and X-ray shots that the authors say were forged) add intrigue, and the general tone is of a thoroughly serious nature. A must for libraries where Kennedy researchers lurk. Appendixes, bibliography, sources, notes, indexes. —*Martin Brady*

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